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C O N F I D E N T I A L USUN 4381

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SUBJECT: MEETING BETWEEN AMBASSADOR YOUNG AND DELEGATION OF
SAHARAN MOROCCANS

REF: USUN 4321

1. AMBASSADOR YOUNG MET PM NOVEMBER 3 WITH A DELEGATION
OF SEVERAL SAHARAN MEMBERS OF THE MOROCCAN PARLIAMENT,
LED BY MR. KHATRI OULD SAID AL-JOUMANI. MEETING HAD
BEEN ARRANGED AT REQUEST OF MOROCCO'S FOREIGN MINISTER
BOUCETTA (REFTEL).

2. FOLLOWING AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S INDICATION AT START OF
MEETING OF HIS INTEREST IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE SAHARA,
THE SAHARANS BEGAN A LENGTHY AND CALM BUT INTENSE DIS-
COURSE ON THE HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL CONNECTIONS BETWEEN
THE SAHARANS AND MOROCCANS EMPHASIZING THEIR VIEW THAT
THE WESTERN SAHARA IS RIGHTLY PART OF MOROCCO.

3. IN RESPONSE, AMBASSADOR YOUNG NOTED THE GOOD RELATIONS
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WHICH EXIST BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND MOROCCO,
OFFERED TO BE OF WHATEVER ASSISTANCE HE COULD,
AND STATED THE US POSITION THAT THE SAHARAN QUESTION
SHOULD NOW BE HANDLED BY THE OAU, AS THE APPROPRIATE
REGIONAL GROUP, RATHER THAN THE UN.

4. THE SAHARANS THANKED YOUNG FOR HIS TIME AND

INTEREST AND EXPRESSED THEIR HOPE THAT HE WOULD ACT
AS A TRANSLATOR OF THEIR VIEWS IN THE UNITED STATES
AND THE UNITED NATIONS.

5. COMMENT: THIS SAHARAN DELEGATION IS IN NEW YORK
FOR THE CURRENT GENERAL ASSEMBLY DEBATE ON THE SAHARAN
QUESTION. THEIR PURPOSE IN MEETING WITH YOUNG WAS
APPARENTLY SIMPLY TO STATE THEIR CASE, AND THEY SEEMED
QUITE PLEASED WITH THE OPPORTUNITY THEY RECEIVED.
END COMMENT.
YOUNG

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